

Lectures to

Matern

Medica

SELKIRK LEFT ON THE ISLAND.



Alexander Selkirk, a Scotch sailor, was left upon the island of St. Juan Fernandez, where he dwelt for a number of years, having no company but beasts to dwell with. Here he lived a solitary life, and was finally taken home in a ship that touched at the island, to the great surprise of his friends. (See the adventures of the "Real Robinson Crusoe," published by Mahlon Day, New-York.)

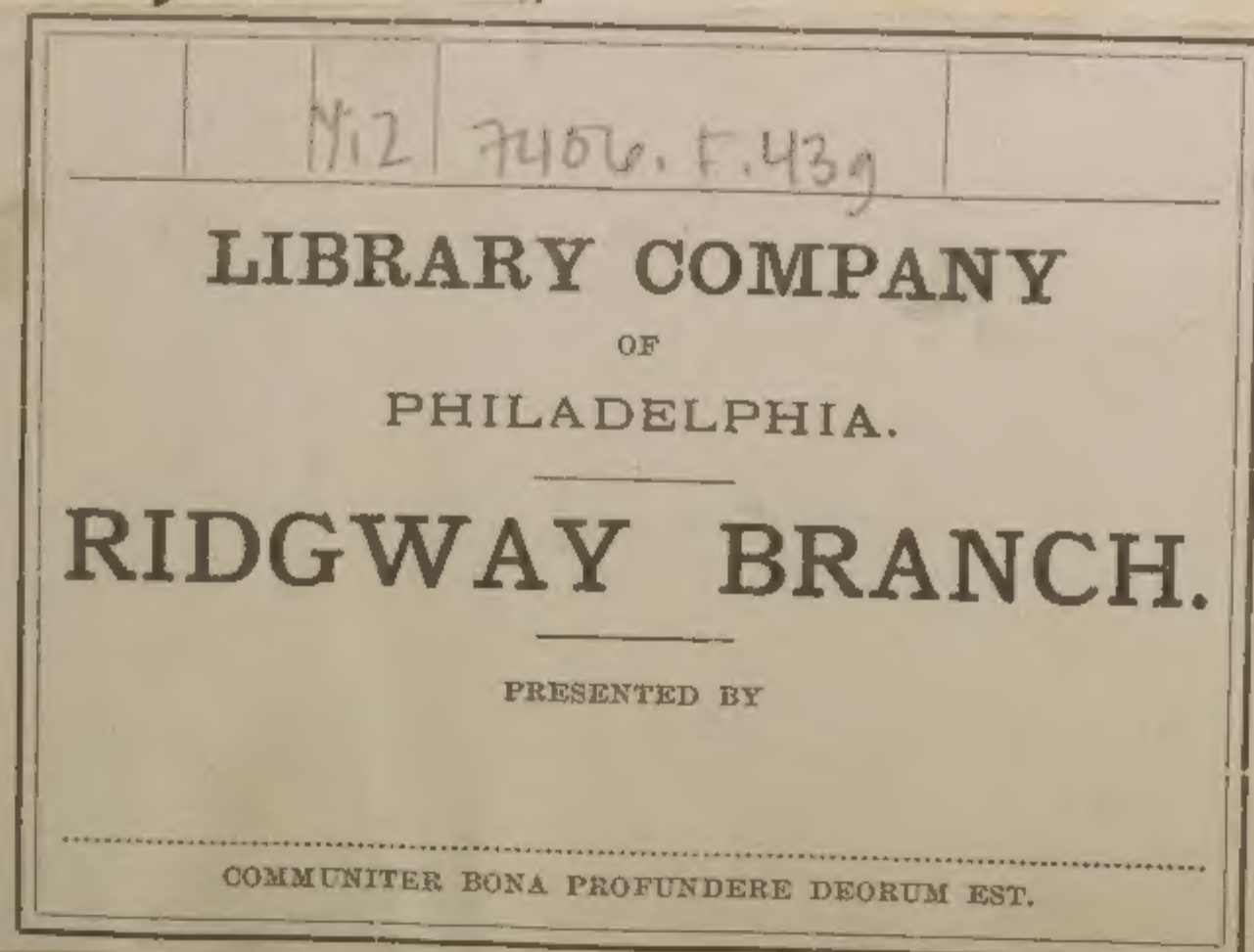
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Burdach - arranged article of Mat: Med:
according to their chemical Analogies -
Arrangements also made according to
the Physical properties of Medicines -

Cullen's Arrangement, founded upon
the general Effects of Remedies -
and also in its minor Subdivisions
upon their Physical Relations -

Alibert - according to the relations
which Remedies bear to particular
organs or structure -

Dr Granville - of England - combining
both the System of Cullen - and Alibert -



Gent —

I shall enter to day, upon the
articles of the Materia Medica — But
before I proceed any further — allow me
to indulge in a few remarks — I had such
painful experience. whilst an ungraduated
Student. in listening to the tedious. and
time wasting speculations upon the Modus
Operandi of Medicines — that I consider it
unpardonable — whilst enjoying the honor-
able privilege of being your Teacher. — to
dare to inflict that Medical ~~misapprehension~~ ^{misapprehension}
upon you — — — “Experientia Docet”
is a maxim — with which you are all
familiar ~~acquainted~~ — and I should shew my-
self utterly ignorant of its immediate
application — in an attempt. to waste
your time — with these Idle discussions —

In Science — as in Man — There
is an delicacy. in paying its domestic se-
crets — — — The universal custom of
Society — has set its ^{forfeiting} seal upon
forbids the propriety of the latter

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— whilst Refinement in Perception — can as easily see in the former — its disgust at such impudent intrusion — I repeat — as I have said before — we are Ignorant of the Modus Operandi of Medicines — and Ever will be so — unless we more faithfully rely — upon those undecieving Oracles of Nature — The Senses —

Who can Say — but that if these faithful Oracles of Nature — had alone been consulted — from creation's dawn — until now — we might have known — the Causas — as well — as the Modus Operandi of the Universe at the present time —

It would seem as if Nature created the Senses as a bond of a compact between all Mankind — or as if like a skillful General — with these weapons — and with proper discipline — she had made us like a veteran army — to act together — in the accomplishment of the victory of Knowledge —

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— Take millions of her creation beings —
Marched. them — upon the great arena
of the Earth — Take them as they may
be — blinded — with Opinion — Prejudice and
prejudice — upon subjects — Moral Polit-
ical — and religious — differing as far
— and as opposite ^{in their views} as the Antipodes of
Earth — Ask these millions — I say to
behold — the ~~black~~ orb of day sinking
to rest in the ~~constant~~ horizon — Bring
them ~~to~~ their common point of observa-
-tion — Tell them to cast away — their Opin-
-ions — and their prejudices — Nay — you
need not do as much as this — Ohly
Move their Lenses — and direct their
Vision — to the figures of the Sun —
and ask them its Shape — They will
all tell you it is Round — Then will
now be no contention in Opinion —
— Now no demoralizing Prejudice
to cut each others throats with —
with the aid of Man's best advisors the
Lenses — they will all shake hands —
and be friends — in this universal

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agreement. of Truth — So it is with
the opinions of the Modus Operandi of
Medicines — whilst we are contented
with the knowledge which our Senses
have given us upon this Subject — we
shall all — agree — But let Imagina-
tion — Conjecture — Speculation — pour their
Spre. tales into our Ears — ^{and} the Seeds of
Mental discord — will soon be matured
into open Rebellion against Nature —
— It marks — a degraded — and Lazy
State of intellect in Medicine, when
Teacher — after Teacher — with persist-
in innoculating the Ears of his pupils
with ~~the~~ history of its glaring Errors — in-
stead of pointing out to them its simple
~~and~~ ~~truths~~ Truths. ~~They~~ degraded —
became — you have all ^{noticed} ~~heard~~
~~these~~ Errors — scarcely pass the
lips of the lecturer — before they have
been met by his audience — with
the contemptuous smile — of disbelief —
His association with these Errors — have
the same Effect upon his Mind — that

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intimacy with bad men - have upon
morals - they - blind - vitiate - and de-
grade him - May - Even make him
unconscious - that he has been publicly
insulted - Most of you - Gent -
have come to our City from a distance
- you have voluntarily left those pleas-
ures which cluster around no other place
but - Home - in fine you have come
to us upon an honorable pilgrimage
for Medical Knowledge - Ought I
then in Reason - in feeling - or in
honor - to consume one half your time
in telling you what is replete - and
the other perhaps in masking from
your senses the short and simple object
of your Med. Education -

With these remarks - I hope you
need no further apology for my silence
upon the subject of the Modus Operandi
of Medicines - I shall therefore com-
mence - with Emetics -

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-ism of Vomiting — and here you will perceive
I am instantly led into the Region of Opinion
a French Physician. Named Chirac
upwards of 100 years ago. ~~performed~~ experi-
ments performed upon Animals. came
to the conclusion or Opinion — that the
Stomach in the act of Vomiting is
quiescent — that its contents were ejected
by Muscular force alone — Magendie
performed the same Experiments. without
knowledge however of those of Chirac
and came to the same conclusion.
Haighton — however from his Experiments
came to the Opinion — that Vomiting is
effected by the contraction of the Mus-
cular coat of the Stomach — an opinion
now almost universally adopted —

The Opinion of Course leads
to another — Hence the next
question proposed — How do
Emetics excite these actions of
the Stomach and Muscles — in Vomiting

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Samson's Speculation upon this Subj-
ect - That Excitement of the
Stomach. is diminished by the
Action of an Emetic - in consequence
of which its Peristaltic Motion
is inverted - Now does this follow
as a consequence when Nausea
is produced - (says he) the Stomach
as well as the whole System is in a
State of Debility - As the Nausea
increases - the Powers of the Stomach
are more diminished - until they cease
altogether - And then give rise to
an inverted Motion of its Muscular
Fibres - How? Why should this
diminished or even suspended action
of the Stomach - from alleged Debility
give rise to new and inverted Motion

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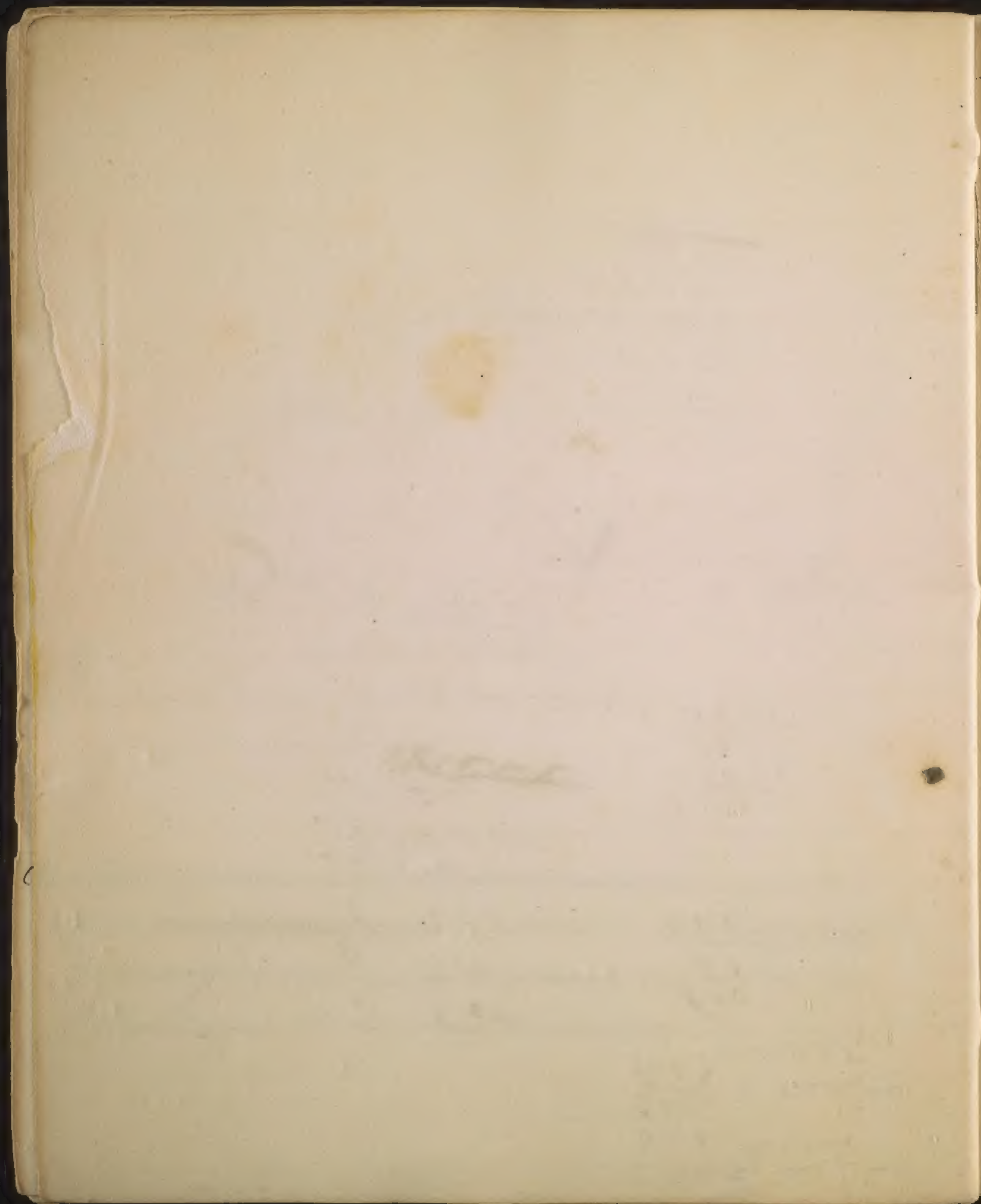
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MULTIPLICATION TABLE.

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